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Public  
Utilities**

**Meeting & Field Trip of the Water System Advisory Committee (WSAC)  
with guests from the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, Creeks, Drainage and  
Wastewater Advisory Committee, and Customer Review Panel**

**July 10, 2019 Meeting Notes**

**Water Quality Lab**

**3:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

**Questions & Discussions**

- Why are sampling sites (in the distribution system) always the same?
- Where does the sampling site water drain to?
- Is the sampling station the best method? (I.e. is there a way to reduce water waste using side streams)
- What about water sampling in public schools?
- How long is water stored for emergency purposes safe to drink?
- In the microbiology lab, are sample bottles re-used? (yes, for raw; no for drinking water)
- What is the process for selecting households for the household water testing that takes place periodically?
- How long does it take for water travel through the distribution system after being treated?
- What is driving the increase of maintenance costs of in the Cedar and Tolt?
- Is SPU looking at the potential impact of sediment loading from fires in the watershed?
- Members expressed interest in the water contingency plan. See:  
<http://www.seattle.gov/utilities/documents/plans/water-plans/water-shortage-plan> Water Contingency Plan and Water Systems Plan

**Adjourned 5:40PM**